

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request favorable reconsideration of this application.

Without acceding to the rejection of Claims 1-24 for obviousness-type double patenting, a Terminal Disclaimer is being filed herewith in order to expedite the allowance of the claims.

As this application is believed to be in condition for allowance, an early Notice of Allowance is respectfully solicited.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 50-1165 (XA-10436) any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this paper and to credit any overpayment to that Account. If any extension of time is required in connection with the filing of this paper and has not been separately requested, such extension is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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